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## Poison for Richeson in Letter Mailed in New York

WEATHER—Fair to-night and Wednesday; warmer.

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### POISON SENT TO RICHESON WAS FOUND BY WARDEN; SLAYER DIES IN THE CHAIR

"I Am Willing to Die," Says Slayer of Avis Linnell as Current Is Turned On.

GARBED AS A MINISTER.

Walks Unaided to Death Chamber and Seats Himself Without Show of Fear.

(Special to The Evening World.)

BOSTON, May 21.—Clarence Virgil Thompson Richeson went to his death in the electric chair in Charlestown State Prison with composure and dignity at 12.02 o'clock this morning. Only one application of the current of 1,000 volts, eight amperes, was required. He was officially pronounced dead at 12.17. He left no public statement.

It was announced after the execution that among the letters received yesterday addressed to Mr. Richeson and opened by Warden Bridges was one containing cyanide of potassium, the kind of poison he used to murder Avis Linnell. It was mailed from Station N, New York City, at 3 P. M., May 19. There was no note to the sender. The powder was in a small sub-envelope, marked "Headache Powder." Richeson knew nothing about it.

In ministerial attire, instead of the usual garb of a prisoner facing electrocution, the self-confessed murderer of Avis Linnell of Hyannis, smiled when he reached the instrument of death. He walked into the death chamber erect and unaided, with eyes straight ahead. Seating himself in the chair, he closed his eyes never to reopen them. The straps were quickly adjusted across his thighs, legs, forearms and chest. From the top of the condemned man's head a good-sized patch of hair had been shaved and a three-inch furrow had been clipped from the forehead to the spot for the electrodes. The left leg of his trousers had been slit to allow a free contact of the electric current.

FIRST MAN EVER TO TALK IN ELECTRIC CHAIR.

Richeson is the first man who ever talked after taking his seat in the electric chair, according to Dr. Joseph I. McLaughlin, the prison physician. He answered seven questions put to him by the Rev. Herbert S. Johnson, his spiritual adviser.

"Would you like to confess Christ before these witnesses as your Saviour?" asked Rev. Mr. Johnson.

"I do confess Christ as my Saviour," came the answer firmly.

"Have you the peace of God in your heart in this hour?"

"I have the peace of God in my heart."

"Does Christ give you the strength you need in this hour?"

"Christ gives me the strength I need."

"Have you the strength to meet death?"

"I have. God will take care of my soul and I pray for all."

"Do you here repent of your sin?"

"I do."

"Do you forgive everybody?"

"I forgive everybody."

"Are you willing to die for Jesus's sake?"

"I am willing to die."

The remainder of the sentence, if there were more to be said, was never uttered. At the word "die" Warden Bridges slightly tilted his gold-headed cane, there was a crash and spatter of a falling lever, and the little form of the former clergyman surged forward against the leather throngs. No sound came from the man's throat. Death was instantaneous.

The electric wires were disconnected from the chair and the three physicians present in turn applied their stethoscopes and declared him dead. The body was removed then to a table behind a screen.

GREAT CROWD WAITS IN FRONT OF PRISON.

During the execution a crowd of 2,000 men, women and children stood in front of the prison in a hard rain, but no sound of what was happening inside reached them.

After the execution the Rev. Mr. Johnson gave out a statement as a result of a conference with Richeson and with the latter's permission, in which he said Richeson had suffered but one collapse while in prison. That deluded the announcement that his

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### POLICE HEROES SAVE SIX FROM FIRE AND SMOKE

Patrolman Overcome in Making Last Dash and Dragged Through Flames.

GANGSTERS LEND HAND.

Artificial Respiration Used to Revive Rescuer by His Fellow Officers.

The heroism of Patrolmen Frederick Koch and Hans Amundsen of the East One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street station saved six lives in a fire early this morning at No. 245 Second avenue, housing thirty families. Twice on account of the smoke and heat the policemen had to retreat, and in the end Amundsen went down, had himself to be rescued and was only revived by means of artificial respiration administered in the street.

Koch and Amundsen started to chase several young toughs who were making trouble on One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street between Second and Third avenues shortly before 1 o'clock. As second avenue was reached cries of "fire" arose and in an instant flames burst from windows on the second floor of the five-story tenement. At every window except those on the second floor people were crying for help.

Patrolman Koch realized that on the second floor the residents must have been overcome. Followed by the very gangsters who had been chasing, Koch and Amundsen rushed up the stairs. At the halfway of the second floor they were met by a sheet from fire door that was locked. The policemen threw themselves on it, but it would not budge. The gangsters added their shoulders to the door. With a crash the door fell in and the rescuers upon it. Flames shot out over the men struggling in a heap on the floor.

On up the stairs the flames went and met the families who were now hurrying down and drove them back to seeking a new way to safety by the roof.

CREPT THROUGH THE SMOKE TO RESCUE THEM.

A faint cry from an apartment on the burning second floor was heard. Koch, on his hands and knees, crept along the corridor to a rear room, whence the cry had come. Amundsen lay on the floor beneath the flames. Some of the gang lay on the stairs, others stood in line below, as Koch and Amundsen ordered. Koch groped the way until he came to Mrs. Amelia Carlson, forty-five, a widow, lying on the floor unconscious with her three-year-old daughter Jennie in her arms. He dragged the mother and child along until Amundsen could reach them and pull them along to the nearest of the gangsters, who passed them down the stairs and out into the street. It was the cry of the child that had been heard.

Meanwhile Patrolman Martin, of the same station, had sent in an alarm and was helping families escape over the roof. Some tried to get down by the front fire escape but the flames from the windows beneath converted the escape into a veritable grill and drove them back to the roof.

Having left Mrs. Carlson with Amundsen, Koch crept back and in another room in the rear found Oscar Waterman, thirty-six, a boarder with the Carlsons, and dragged him along underneath the flames to Amundsen. Waterman's nightshirt was afire and he was badly burned. Amundsen and the gangsters beat out the flames and carried him out.

By that time the smoke and heat had become so intense that neither Koch or Amundsen could bear it. One of them got a pail of water and the policemen soaked their faces. Then Koch knelt down once more and crept back again into the burning apartment. This

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### FIRST OF "DANDY COP" SPECIAL BRIGADE TO APPEAR ON 5TH AVE.



### LOOK WHO'S HERE! STOP! THE NEW FIFTH AVE. COP

Little Late Getting on Job But Has Very Natty Uniform and Headpiece.

People peeped from the tops of Fifth avenue buses, they looked out of taxis, they scanned the avenue from the level of tonneaus. Pedestrians stopped to ask the coppers on the various beats where the new special police were. The "Dandy Fifth," as the new patrol of the Fifth Avenue Protective Association is called, was to put in an appearance on the avenue at 3.30 today, but it was hours before the first of them showed up.

The delay in the appearance of the specials was due to their uniforms. The men are being furnished to the Fifth Avenue Protective Association by Burns Detective Agency. The men in charge there would not permit the new police to go into the street until they were properly uniformed. It was shortly before 1 o'clock when two men in natty uniforms of blue serge appeared together at Thirty-fourth street. The uniforms loom up very nicely. They are of dark blue serge with black and white silk braid and no buttons are shown. The cap is of the military order and across the face is emblazoned in gold, "Fifth Avenue Special Police." The men wear no gloves. The new police are on their beats to answer all inquiries and to assist women across the crossings if necessary.

### PRENDERGAST TO NAME ROOSEVELT AT CHICAGO.

New York Comptroller Has Been Selected to Place the Colonel Before the Convention.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—William A. Prendergast, Comptroller of the city of New York, has been picked by Col. Roosevelt to make the speech placing him in nomination for the Presidency, before the Chicago Convention next month. This was made public today by Lucius N. Littauer, former Congressman, and one of Roosevelt's delegates from New York to the National Convention.

### 6 NAUGHTY, 'TITTLE KIDS DES STWUCK AND WUNNED OFF!

At Dat Old Home, Dey Des Make 'Em Work so Hard Mindin' 'Tittle Babies! AN' DEY TOULDN'T PLAY! And O-o-o! Mary an' Vi and Deir Sisters Des Slipped Out —But Dey Dot Taught!

The strike miscreants, which has recently infected miners, engineers, waiters, barbers and baseball players, wormed its way into a Williamsburgh orphan asylum for girls to-day and stung half a dozen of the inmates. In the quiet of the gray dawn the little strikers got up, dressed themselves and sneaked out and away from what they considered excessive toil. Within a few hours they were back in the institution, the youngest strikers, aged three, having got hungry and advertised their yearnings for food by loud cries.

Mary Smalling, twelve years old, was the leader of the strike. She influenced her two sisters, Anna, aged eight, and Olive, aged six, and also Violet, Lily and Carrie Trumen, aged nine, seven and three years, respectively. The Smalling children came from Massapequa, L. I., and the Trumens formerly lived at No. 345 Montauk avenue, East New York.

### AHA! THE PLOT THICKENS AS THE PLOTTERS PLOT!

The institution is a busy place, according to the little girls, and the inmates over seven years of age are expected to do something of a useful nature. Mary Smalling, for instance, took care of fourteen babies, she says, and did the washing for them, while Anna Smalling made beds. Violet Trumen washed dishes and cut bread and Lily Trumen was kept busy folding babies' bibe after they had been washed. Olive Smalling and Carrie Trumen were not required to work.

It wasn't so bad when the weather was cold and rainy, but when the sun came out and the leaves began to clothe the trees and the flowers blossomed and the windows were opened and the warm breeze fanned the cheeks of the little workers, the Smalling children pined for their old home in the country. Mary, a child with initiative and executive ability, suggested to her sisters that they should run away.

"Let us and Violet and Lily and Carrie all run away," elaborated Anna Smalling. With much whispering and excitement, the plot was arranged yesterday. Mary Smalling was to awaken the others at the proper time and guide them to freedom. And at 4.30 o'clock this morning she slipped out of her cot and softly awakened her two sisters and the Trumen children.

Very quietly they slipped on their clothing, all but their shoes. Then, hand in hand, with Mary in the lead, they stole through the dormitory and down the stairs, and out through the hall to the big front door and out to the cool street and the mist of the early morning.

### CARRIE WANTED "DINK OF MILK," DISCOVERY FOLLOWED.

They trudged along for more than two hours, but they were not far from home when little Carrie Trumen began to cry. She was hungry and her feet hurt and she wanted a "dink" of milk. Fearful of attracting attention and confronted by a difficulty she had not foreseen, Mary Smalling guided her company into the hallway of a tenement at No. 121 Broadway, Brooklyn.

Charles Taylor of No. 112 Forest avenue, Queens, passing the house at 7 o'clock, heard the sound of children sobbing. He entered the hallway and found the six runaways. Olive Smalling had joined Carrie Trumen in lamentations. By close questioning Taylor learned the children were fugitives. He summoned Policeman Armbruster of the Bayside avenue station, who guided the children to the station house, where Lieut. Straneky regarded them with bacon and eggs and rolls and milk and coffee, and rounded out the meal with candy.

Before noon the six little strikers were back in the Eastern District Industrial Home and School in South Third street, Williamsburgh. Miss M. E. Whittier, the superintendent, denied the children were overworked, and ascribed their venture into the great unknown outside to the natural influences of spring.

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### TAFT CASTS VOTE IN OHIO ELECTION; EXPECTS TO WIN

President Rests While His Workers Carry Battle With Roosevelt to the Polls. Wilson and Harmon Fight It Out Among Democrats—Heavy Vote All Over State.

COLUMBUS, O., May 21.—Advice from every quarter of the State reported fair weather for Ohio's first preference primary to-day, which concludes two weeks or more of unprecedented campaigning by President Taft and Col. Theodore Roosevelt. Forty-eight delegates will be selected by the Republicans to represent Ohio in the Chicago convention, and both candidates were confident of winning the entire delegation.

Supporters of all Presidential candidates—Taft, Roosevelt, La Follette, Harmon and Wilson—Republicans and Democrats, were greatly encouraged by the dawn of a fair, warm day. Reports received in Columbus this afternoon were that an unusually heavy vote had been cast by both Republicans and Democrats in cities and towns, with a light vote in the country. The clear, warm weather, it was agreed, was beneficial to the Taft candidacy because many Republican farmers in every county who are opposed to the President on account of his reciprocity position, remained at home to work in the fields. At the same time, it is believed Gov. Harmon was injured by the weather. A majority of the stay-at-home Democratic farmers are believed to favor Harmon. Politicians here estimate that about 300,000 Republican votes would be cast in the primary. In the Democratic contest, where the interest is not so intense, it is believed about 200,000 votes will be polled.

The contests between Taft and Roosevelt and between Wilson and Harmon were reported as being waged with much energy on all sides. In Toledo and Cleveland, La Follette sentiment is so strong as to put the Taft and Roosevelt leaders in doubt as to the final outcome in those places. La Follette's candidacy, it is believed, is hurting Roosevelt more than Taft, because it is splitting the progressive vote. At Wilson headquarters the statement was made that advice from over the State indicated unexpected activity among known progressive Democrats. Numerous bets have been posted making Roosevelt and Harmon slight favorites.

### REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES NOT NAMED ON BALLOTS.

President Taft cast his vote in the primaries in his home precinct at Cincinnati. He is a guest at the home of his brother, C. P. Taft, where he rested before returning East. Col. Roosevelt left Ohio late yesterday, after concluding his speech-making.

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### Baseball Scores To-Day

NATIONAL LEAGUE.	
AT CINCINNATI.	
GIANTS—	1 0
CINCINNATI—	0 1
AT CHICAGO.	
BROOKLYN—	0
CHICAGO—	0
AMERICAN LEAGUE.	
AT NEW YORK.	
CHICAGO—	2 1
HIGHLANDERS—	0 0
AT WASHINGTON.	
DETROIT—	0 0 0
WASHINGTON—	0 0 0

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### "BEAU BRUMMEL" BURGLAR WHO SHOWS POLICE HIS \$20,000 LOOT



### LOSES \$1,000 A MINUTE IN COURT BECAUSE HE SMOKED IN SUBWAY

According to Noble Austrian's Estimate, Cigar Cost Him Fortune.

Aladar W. Herzog, thirty-eight years old, an Austrian of noble birth, as he declared, was fined \$3 by Magistrate House in the Jefferson Market Court, to-day. Herzog, previous to arraignment, gave his address as the Eliza-Carlton Hotel. He had been arrested at the Fourteenth street station of the subway, on the charge of carrying a lighted cigar, the arrest being made by Patrolman Ruppert, attached to the Health Department.

Herzog showed considerable nervousness while waiting for the case to be called. He was heard to remark: "I am losing a thousand dollars a minute. All on account of a beastly little cigar! Ah, I could crush it this minute!"

Upon being told, Magistrate House said he would hear the case at once. "Judge, Your Honor, I could have been down at the Stock Exchange an hour ago," said Herzog. "My shares are going up, up-how is it you say—up the bus? I am losing a thousand dollars a minute. All on account of a beastly little cigar! Ah, I could crush it this minute!"

He jerked out a jeweled cigar case and extracting several cigars, crushed them.

"Wait—wait!" exclaimed Probation Officer Lavender. "I could have smoked them."

"What is the fine, Judge?" asked Herzog. Then, before an answer could be given: "Please, Your Honor, I'm losing \$1,000 a minute. I must hurry to the Stock Exchange."

"Three dollars," said the Court. "Ah, three dollars against my thousand!" muttered Herzog, as he tendered a new \$100 bill in payment of the fine. Clerk Richter was a little slow in making the change.

"Oh, keep the change!" cried Herzog. Then he started to leave.

"Come back! Come back!" called Clerk Richter. "I can't keep your change. Here it is!"

Herzog ran back, made one grab for the bills offered him, and then, with a parting salutation, hurried from the court room.

### KILLED IN COLLISION.

Boy Met Death When Train Hit Wagon—Relatives Injured.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., May 21.—One person was instantly killed and two probably hurt at the New York Central crossing near Gouverneur this afternoon when their rig was struck by a passenger train. The injured are Charles Lavender and Mrs. S. Ganga, brother and sister, and the dead the latter's eleven-year-old son.

They failed to see the approaching train or to hear the warnings shouted to them and were thrown several feet.

Hard Going for U. S. League. CINCINNATI, O., May 21.—The local United States League team is in trouble. Its game to-day was called off, and it is said that Monday's drew only eleven paid admissions.

### \$20,000 HID BY THIEF IN A DEPOSIT VAULT HE SHOWS TO POLICE

Old-Timer Bert Curtis Takes Captors to His Cache, Where They Find Gold and Jewelled Treasure.

### J. P. MORGAN JR. MAY OWN SOME OF THE STOLEN HOARD

"Beau Brummel" Crook Says He Bought All for \$500 From "Another Graft."

Bert Curtis, one of the few old-fashioned burglars whose existence is admitted by the police, had more than \$20,000 worth of jewelry hidden in the safe deposit vault he had rented at the Harlem branch of the Colonial Trust Company, One Hundred and Sixteenth street and Seventh avenue. The police opened the box to-day in the presence of Curtis, who gave his consent, despite the advice of his attorney, Rudolph Newman.

The key of the box was given to Capt. Tunney and Capt. Brown of the Detective Bureau by a woman they found in the flat which Curtis occupied under the name of Lamont. With the permission of Magistrate Freucht, the detective took Curtis to the bank to-day, handcuffed to Deputy Jailer Julius.

### SUFFRAGE PARADER SAYS WALK COST JOB AS A SCHOOL TEACHER

Miss Hutchinson a Martyr to Votes for Women, She Declares.

Miss Annie Hutchinson of No. 38 West End avenue, a suffragist, has lost her job, she says, because she marched in the suffrage parade. She was a teacher in the parochial school connected with the Church of the Resurrection, at Broadway and Seventy-first street, the pastor of which is the Rev. Father Matthew A. Taylor.

According to Miss Hutchinson's story, the sole reason given for her discharge by Father Taylor was her participation in the parade, which exposed the fact that she was a suffragist. She reported the case at the suffrage headquarters, No. 39 West Thirty-fourth street, to-day, and was immediately hailed as the first "martyr to the cause." A meeting of suffragists is to be held to consider Miss Hutchinson's case and take action on it.

Miss Hutchinson says she was dismissed last Friday. She declares that Father Taylor said to her: "This is a personal matter with me. I do not like this woman's suffrage movement. I will not have any teachers connected with this school who are suffragists. I believe the movement is a step toward Socialism, and therefore I will have to ask for your resignation." He gave me my pay up to Sept. 1. It was not done on the impulse of the moment, for he had the check made out and ready for me when I entered the office."

### PENSIONS FOR AVIATORS.

Reluctant Passes Bill Favoring Military Airmen.

BERLIN, May 21.—The Reichstag to-day passed the first and second readings of a pension bill for military aviators, which ranks accidents occurring to them while flying on the same level as casualties incurred in time of war.

Brumel of Harlem Court Prison. There was a little delay at the bank while the manager awaited for instructions from downtown.

### BOX REVEALS HOARD OF JEWELLED BOOTY.

Capt. Tunney took from the box seven envelopes and opened them. The following is the inventory that was made by the police: "yellow metal" means gold; "white stones" means diamonds; "forty-six pieces broken yellow metal, apparently formerly settings for precious stones."

Twenty-six pieces broken yellow metal, same.

Crescent set with twenty-one large white stones.

Ring, one green stone, six white stones.

Pendant, seventeen white stones. Lavalliers, set with five large white stones and many small stones.

Chain for same, with eleven large white stones.

Woman's ring, seven stones. Same, three stones.

Woman's pin, one stone. Same, six stones.

Woman's bar pin, fifteen stones. Man's gold and platinum chain.

Two platinum pins, six white stones each.

Yellow metal matchbox. Yellow metal locket.

Yellow metal swivel. Neck chain of 15 pearls.

Yellow metal cigar holder, yellow metal mounted.

Two sets gold and pearl waistcoat buttons.

The box had been rented under the name of Alfred Josselt. Curtis said to the detectives after the jewelry had been listed:

"I bought that junk from another grafter. I paid \$500 for the whole bunch of it."

### J. P. MORGAN JR. MAY OWN SOME OF BOOTY.

He refused to make any other statement. Several wealthy men and women who have reported jewelry losses by robbery recently, including J. P. Morgan Jr., have been asked to communicate with Capt. Tunney to aid in the identification of the jewelry. It was hard for the persons who followed in a curious crowd as the policeman and the police accompanied him to the bank to realize that Curtis was the "Beau Brummel" burglar of whom they had heard. The police say that he frequented the Metropolitan Opera House in immaculate dress and that he gave many notable dinners and late supper at restaurants of high priced menus. He was a furtive looking, not over-clean creature to-day. It seemed hardly possible he could ever have passed a watchful headwaiter. Experts called in by the police learned that some of the jewelry had been manufactured in Brooklyn, some in this city and some in Cincinnati. The broken gold mentioned in the inventory seemed to be the remains of heavy rings, from which the settings had been torn and which had been pounded with a hammer after the maker's name had been filed away.